

AMONG OUR LAWMAKERS

What was Done in the Second Day's Work of the House of Representatives.

Governor Toole Refuses to do Business With the Republican Rumpers.

Political Talk and Bits of Legislature Gossip—It was Proposed to Oust McNamara.

The arrival of Messrs. Holter, Boardman and Harrington of the rump house of representatives, was the first event of any political importance at the court house yesterday morning. This delegation waited upon the governor shortly after 10 o'clock with type-written information from the rump that they were a properly appointed committee to notify Governor Toole that the rump legislature was ready to open communication with the executive head of the state government. The paper was presented by the chairman of the committee, Mr. Holter. Gov. Toole expressed his pleasure at meeting the gentlemen personally, but said that he must decline to communicate with them in an official way. He could not recognize the proceedings of the organization they represented. This incident was marked by courteous treatment on both sides. After a conversation of a few minutes the committee left the executive chamber returning to their leaders to report the result of their interview. It was expected by both parties that the governor would follow this line of action, therefore no one was disappointed.

Here is the latest republican scheme. Senator C. J. McNamara, of Fergus county, is detained at his home at Fort Maginnis because of injuries received from a kicking horse, and it may be some time before he will be able to reach this city. The scheme noised about on the streets yesterday was to the effect that the republicans would declare his seat vacant because he held a United States office. If this worked, the eight republicans would meet, declare themselves a quorum and commence business in the senate. One serious obstacle in the execution of this beautiful plot is the fact that Mr. McNamara is no more of a United States official than the governor's private secretary. He is a partner in the firm of Broadwater, McNamara & Co. This firm is the Post trading establishment at Fort Maginnis, holding a license for that purpose from the government. The republican conspirators, in their desperate hunt for illegal methods, are finding a lack of sources. The mighty brain of Sanders is restless when not hatching out a new plot. This latest scheme throws discredit upon the legal foresight of the snorting warhorse of the Rockies. It would create no surprise to hear that Sanders had ordered President Harrison and son to send out a few regiments of infantry to seize the court house for the rumpers.

The representatives have been embarrassed by the lack of supplies in the way of stationery, etc. In former sessions these have been furnished to the house and senate by the territorial secretary, and it was naturally expected that the usual custom would prevail under statehood. The action of the secretary in neglecting to provide these supplies was criticised in the house yesterday morning and a committee was appointed to wait upon the secretary and request a list of supplies for the desks. Secretary Rotwit informed the committee that while the territorial secretary was required to attend to these wants he could find no provisions in the law requiring the secretary of state to supply a list of requisitions for the house of representatives. This decision was reported to the house. The matter was temporarily arranged by the appointment of a committee to furnish supplies to the house until a law could be made to fix a permanent source of supply. This incident, while not taken as an indication of a desire on the part of the republican state officers to embarrass the workings of the house of representatives shows that there may be many trifling irregularities of the kind to be adjusted by the legislature during the coming winter.

Rev. W. J. Hawkins, of Wickes, the recently elected chaplain of the house, made his first appearance on the floor of the house yesterday morning. He is a very pleasant gentleman and will doubtless make many friends during the session. He received a few valuable hints from Representative Peter Breen regarding the spiritual welfare of the Silver Bow rumpers. Mr. Breen said that the chaplain's prayers should be constantly raised in their behalf, even at the neglect of members of the house. While their early spiritual training had been neglected, Mr. Breen said they still had faith in prayer, though not of the enthusiastic kind. It was the custom of these rumpers to pin the Lord's prayer on the wall, whisper softly their sentiments and jump into bed. Mr. Hawkins promised to give needed attention to the erring brethren from Silver Bow.

It is rumored that Rev. C. B. Allen, the chaplain of the rump, will tender his resignation at the opening of to-day's session. To a friend he stated that had he known that his name was to have been presented he would have declined the honor in the first place. It was an entire surprise to him. Mr. Allen feels that he is not in a position to decide which is right and which is wrong and he declines to take part in the controversy. Mr. Allen therefore declines to countenance the proceedings of the rump by his presence at their proceedings.

Representatives Wallace, Penrose and McClure were appointed by the speaker as a committee to wait upon the governor and announce that the house was ready to receive his communications. They were informed that the executive communication would be tendered to the legislature as soon as both legislative bodies were organized, and that the democratic organization was the only recognized house of representatives.

Mr. Witter put in his appearance at yesterday afternoon's rump session dressed in a handsome suit of black. He has been supplied with a new desk. The kitchen table has disappeared. It is suggested that Col. Wheeler find it and preserve it among the other interesting relics gathered by the Historical society.

The republican members of the state senate met in the senate chamber again at 10 o'clock. It was merely a meeting. No quorum was present and the senate was adjourned. The afternoon session was adjourned and a long caucus of the republican senators was immediately held in the senate chamber.

THE HOUSE PROCEEDINGS.

The house of representatives convened yesterday morning. After the calling of the roll and the reading of the minutes, Representative Humber, of Deer Lodge, was sworn in by County Attorney Nolan. On motion of Mr. Wallace a vote of thanks was given the county attorney. The oath

was then given to the subordinate officers of the house.

After a recess of thirty minutes the committee on permanent organization reported that the temporary officers be made permanent. On motion the chief clerk was instructed to cast the full vote of the house for the officers named. The speaker returned thanks for the honor bestowed upon him. Messrs. Wallace, Clark and Burns were appointed a committee to ask the secretary of state for supplies.

Messrs. Conly, Toole and Burns were named as a committee on rules. Messrs. Toole, Wallace, Penrose and McClure were named as a committee to wait upon the governor.

After a recess Messrs. Penrose, Humber and Higgins were named as a committee on mileage. A recess was then taken until 2 o'clock.

In the afternoon session the report of the committee on official notification to the governor was accepted.

The report of the committee to the secretary being received a committee to furnish supplies was appointed.

An adjournment until 10 o'clock this morning was taken and the house went into caucus.

MEETING OF THE RUMPS.

Sanders People Gather at the Iron Block and Hear a Committee Report.

The thirty rumpers were all on hand yesterday afternoon at 2 o'clock; so were Sanders and Seligman. Paul McCormick, of Junction City, who is Commodore Power's right hand man, loomed up in the lobby, his snow-white hair and full beard making him conspicuous among the crowd that sat on what few chairs were to be had. The room was more comfortable than on last Saturday. Another stove had been placed at the rear near the speaker's desk. The kitchen table has been returned to its humble surroundings from whence it was so hastily snatched on Saturday and made to cut a figure in Montana history. The banquet still keeps company with the speaker, but the flowers are beginning to droop and fade. Whether this is due to the ravages of time or the surroundings, only the flowers can tell. The chips and shavings have been swept out, but the windows are still unwashed.

The rumpers have not yet become thoroughly accustomed to their surroundings. There seems to be an unsatisfied air about the whole concern, and the quarters are not convenient. An attempt to secure another place will be made, a committee being appointed for that purpose yesterday afternoon.

The Rev. C. B. Allen, Jr., who was elected chaplain, did not appear when rump Speaker Witter called the house to order. Business went on, however, without the rumpers being prayed for. That they realize the necessity of a minister of the gospel was made evident when Bray, of Silver Bow, moved a committee of one to call on Mr. Allen, inform him of his election and ascertain whether he would accept or not. The committee is Roberts, and his report is eagerly looked for. It was rumored on the streets last night that the committee had hunted up the reverend gentleman, who declined to serve.

Howev, of Lewis and Clarke, reported from the select committee on rules, recommending the adoption of a set which are modeled after those used by the last territorial house of representatives. The clerk waded through them as fast as he could, and they were made a special order for 2 p. m. to-day.

The thirty rumpers were then certified to as being entitled to seats by the committee on credentials, the members relieving the monotony by toying with the stationery in their desks.

The committee to wait on the governor, reported that they had done so, that the governor had informed them that inasmuch as he had designated in his proclamation, a place where the house of representatives should meet, he could hold no official communication with the house at present.

It was referred to a committee of seven who will wrestle with it and probably report to-day.

Boardman, who has a sleek and well-groomed appearance, and represents Cascade county, sent up a resolution reciting that the house would proceed with the public business so far as it was in its power to do so without any communication from the governor, but would await with pleasure until he would transmit the same.

Thompson, of Silver Bow, who has an uneasy appearance, and wears a light overcoat while the rumpers are in session, said he would second the resolution with the understanding that it be made a special order for 2 o'clock to-day.

There was a lull for a moment, which Dolman of Silver Bow improved by getting closer to the stove, while Norton of Yellowstone took his place to do the seconding. Norton is a six footer with a head of the Websterian cast. After unlimbering himself to get up several times and second motions, one of which was to appoint a committee on mileage, he subsided. A committee was also appointed to confer with the senate and adopt joint rules. The mover of this was Walter of Fergus, who is a bright looking young man with a dark mustache and rosy cheeks. He served as a member of the last legislature in the house, and was frequently made chairman of the committee by the whole by the speaker.

James B. Wells, of Helena, who was elected enrolling and engrossing clerk, has not yet appeared at the desk reserved for him. Cory stated that Mr. Wells would not be able to attend to the duties for some time, and wanted A. C. Smith, of Deer Lodge, appointed assistant to Mr. Wells. Thompson did not see any necessity for an assistant to Mr. Wells, and intimated that there was nothing for an assistant to do. Mr. Smith was provided for, however, by making him assistant to the chief clerk. It's all the same to him what official title they give him, provided he gets paid for his work.

A rump got in a kick about the facilities for getting mail. He didn't want to walk way down town to get his letters. The matter was left to the page, who will have to settle the matter in some way.

Sanders and Seligman remained until the rump adjourned. The colored did the advantage of his privilege as an ex member of the territorial legislature to the freedom of the floor, but remained in the lobby. His features wearing a pensive look. After adjournment, Seligman, who is also entitled to the freedom of the floor, rushed around and patted everybody on the back.

Orders were given by the houses for the rumpers to report promptly at 2 p. m. to-day, until which time Sanders, Seligman and Greenfield told them they could enjoy themselves in their own way, but that they must not under any circumstances, go near the court house. There was some dissent to this, but finally all acquiesced and thirty discomfited men started up town, some going home and others to look for warmer quarters.

Special sale of trimmed hats at Mrs. Ireland's to-day. Don't miss it.

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